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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Kaoru MIYAMOTO et al.)
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For: METHOD FOR DIFFERENTIATING)
MESENCHYMAL STEM CELLS INTO)
STEROID-PRODUCING CELLS)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 5.